

Council District Six City of San Diego MEMORANDUM

DATE:

March 5, 2007

TO:

Mayor Jerry Sanders

FROM:

Councilmember Donna Frye

SUBJECT:

Nomination to the proposed Charter Review Committee

Downstry

I am pleased to nominate John Gordon to the proposed San Diego Charter Review Committee.

Mr. Gordon is Principal with the Pacific Management Consulting Group, a partnership of senior business professionals. He is also Vice President of a national executive search firm, and works management consulting engagements with national and international clients. John has over 20 years of experience in financial management, spanning from cost analyst to Chief Financial Officer.

While I know Mr. Gordon will be an excellent addition to this committee, I have numerous concerns with the formation of this group. My nomination should not be perceived as an endorsement of the current process by which this committee was created because, to date, it has not included a public hearing. I am nominating John Gordon because I want the residents of District Six to have a voice as we contemplate further City Charter changes.

While acknowledging that the City Charter may need further modifications to fulfill the functions of a Strong Mayor system of governance, it is important that these discussions are public and that they comply with the Brown Act. Although City Council participation is not specifically referenced in your memorandum, I look forward to the City Council discussion at noticed public hearings.

CC: Honorable City Council

City Clerk

City Attorney Michael Aguirre Independent Budget Analyst